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Man Sentenced to Prison for DUI Crash in Rowland Heights

A 22-year-old man convicted of driving drunk and crashing his car, which resulted in the serious injury of another, was sentenced today to seven years in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Feb. 20, Pierr Gonzalez-Garcia of Compton pleaded no contest to a felony count of driving with a .08 percent blood alcohol level causing injury in case KA106902.

The defendant also admitted special allegations that he personally inflicted great bodily injury causing the victim to become comatose. Additionally, he admitted that the concentration of his blood alcohol was 0.15 percent by weight and more, and that he was driving at an excessive speed.

Deputy District Attorney Lauren Guber, who prosecuted the case, said on the evening of Aug. 1, 2014, Gonzalez-Garcia drove at an excessive speed on Pathfinder Road in Rowland Heights when he crashed into the victim's car.

The prosecutor said the victim, an 18-year-old man, suffered numerous serious injuries, including multiple facial and body fractures, and a traumatic injury to his brain.

Following the crash, authorities were called and Gonzalez-Garcia was later arrested.

The case was investigated by the California Highway Patrol.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.